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Supervisors Remove Obstacle for Upland Sports Complex

SAN BERNARDINO - On Tuesday, the Board of Supervisors removed a flood control easement that stood in the way of Upland's plans for a community sports complex on Baseline Road.

County Flood Control officials determined the easement is no longer necessary for flood control purposes because the 210 Freeway intercepted the area's regional flows. However, they noted the area should still be used for water conservation.

The City of Upland agreed to continue utilizing the property for water conservation in conjunction with the Pomona Valley Protective Association. The city will pay a nominal \$1,000 administrative fee to cover the county's administrative costs.

"This is a great example of how the county can help our incorporated cities remove road blocks to positive progress," Chairman Paul Biane said. "By working together, we can provide our residents with great quality-of-life amenities like the proposed Upland Sports Complex."

In addition to removing the easement, the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday also agreed to sell the City of Upland 1.1 acres of surplus flood control property for the planned 57-acre sports complex. The city will pay the County Flood Control District \$230,000, as determined by an appraisal of the property.

"On behalf of the citizens of Upland, I thank Chairman Biane and the Board of Supervisors for working collectively with the City of Upland, as partners, to assist us in bringing the Upland Sports Complex one step closer to fruition," Upland Mayor John V. Pomierski said. "We enjoy a positive relationship with the County of San Bernardino - and this project is just one example of such good work."

As planned, the Upland Sports Complex will feature six soccer fields, two tennis courts, a basketball court, volleyball court, tot lot and a small community amphitheater. Two of the soccer fields will also be used for softball.

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